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Filed: March 7, 2004	:	TO WITHDRAW
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This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed March 31, 2005 and April 4, 2005.

The request is **NOT APPROVED** because it is moot.

A review of the file record indicates that on March 29, 2005 the power of attorney to Townsend and Townsend and Crew, LLP was revoked by the assignee of the patent application. Accordingly, the request to withdraw under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b) is moot.

All future communications from the Office will be directed to the below-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquires concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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